THE FLORIDA SENATE 2015 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Commerce and Tourism

SB 982 — Florida Civil Rights Act

by Senators Thompson, Smith, and Gibson

This bill amends the Florida Civil Rights Act (FCRA) to expressly prohibit discrimination on the basis of pregnancy in education, employment, housing, and public accommodation. The bill codifies a Florida Supreme Court decision that found that discrimination based on pregnancy in employment practices was subsumed in the FCRA's current prohibition on discrimination based on sex.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2015

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 115-2

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